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Japanese Utility Model Patent Application No. 4-62387-U discloses a compressor located in a vessel having an intake pipe and a discharge pipe with a bottom part of the vessel having lubricant oil for the compressor. This publication was cited in the International search report.

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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 2000-130865 discloses a compressor located in a vessel having an intake pipe and a discharge pipe with a bottom part of the vessel having lubricant oil for the compressor.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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